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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 61536 (46342) Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 10/500,175-Conf. #3286 June 25, 2004 G. Chandra 1646 Applicant(s): Hirokazu Matsumoto et al. Invention: BODY WEIGHT GAIN INHIBITOR TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After **Previously** Extra Claims <u>Amendment</u> Paid Present Rate Total Claims 39 39 O Х 50.00 0.00 Independent 18 18 = 0 × 200.00 Claims 0.00 Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 x Large Entity Small Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ ___ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 04-1105 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. x Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: May 10, 2007 Dwight D. Kim, Ph.D. Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 57,665 **EDWARDS ANGELL PALMER & DODGE LLP** P.O. Box 55874 Boston, Massachusetts 02205 (617) 517-5588

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This document is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 11, 2007. Claims 1-39 are pending in the instant application and are subject to restriction. Claims 1-21 and 23 were withdrawn from consideration in the response filed on February 7, 2007.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby provisionally further elect SEQ ID NO: 16 for claims 22 and 24-39. The instant election is made with traverse for continued examination and Applicants submit that no unreasonable burden is incurred by a search of the sequence identifications that can be found at least at pages 82-97 of the specification.

This election is made with the understanding that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to the consideration of the additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

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The present election should not be construed as a surrender of any subject matter of the application. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) on the non-elected claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in a condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is requested.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any credits or deficiency in the fees filed (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No. 61536 (46342).

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